
Subject: Re: adding sparse arrays

Posted by [Vince Hradil](#) on Thu, 07 Jun 2007 15:23:23 GMT

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On Jun 7, 9:32 am, nivedita.raghun...@gmail.com wrote:

> Hi all,

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> Thanks for the suggestions.

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> The arrays that I'm working with are really huge so there's no option
> of A+B. I cannot convert to full matrix form using fulstr and have to
> work only with the sparse arrays A and B to get another sparse array (A
> +B). The non-zero elements of the two arrays are in different index
> positions (ija), so the sa vectors cannot be added directly.

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> Under these constraints, what's the best (and the fastest) way to add
> them?

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> -Nivedita

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> On Jun 7, 4:36 am, Paolo Grigis <pgri...@astro.phys.ethz.ch> wrote:

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>> nivedita.raghun...@gmail.com wrote:

>>> Hello all,

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>>> How do I add two sparse arrays? The fact that a sparse function to add
>>> doesn't exist makes me think it's pretty simple, but I just can't get
>>> it. I do not want to use any loops.

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>> Well, it depends where the non-zero, non-diagonal elements of the two
>> arrays are. If they are located in the same positions, you just need
>> to add the sa vectors while keeping the ija vectors fixed.

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>> Ciao,

>> Paolo

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>>> Thanks in advance.

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I don't use sprsin, but can you try `c = sprsin(fulstr(a)+fulstr(b))`?
or maybe `c = sprsin(fulstr(temporary(a))+fulstr(temporary(b)))` to
delete a and b from memory?
